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*The Transfiguration of the Lord
August 6, 2023*



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Mondays - 6:00PM

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First Saturday, August 5, 2023 – The Dedication of the

Basilica of Saint Mary, BVM

8:15 AM - Rosemarie Morbelli and family

5:00 PM - † Altamiro Rodrigue da Silveira

† Rose Brino

Sunday, August 6, 2023-

The Transfiguration of the Lord

9:00 AM - † JoAnne Betwarda

† Mario, Anna and Emanuela Boncini

57th Wedding Anniversary blessings for Ruth and Richard Hoffner

11:00 AM - † James V. Caruso

† Joan Kirwan

† Sandy Maselli

† Tomasina Tuozzo

† Ruffino Gasparini and family

† 100th Birthday remembrance for Ann Lischak

Birthday blessings for Peter Cannata & Rose VanHouten

1:00 PM - † Felix and Georgina Guzman

Monday, August 7, 2023-Saint Sixtus II, Pope and Companions, Martyrs

8:15 AM – † Salvatore and Giuseppina Dibio

Birthday blessings for Rose VanHouten

6:00 to 7:00 – Adoration and Confession

Tuesday, August 8, 2023 - Saint Dominic

8:15 AM – † Victoria and Richard Vanderstine

Wednesday, August 9, 2023 – Saint Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, Virgin and Martyr

8:15 AM– † Elena Coscia

Sarah Thorne and family

Thursday, August 10, 2023 –Saint Lawrence, Deacon and Martyr

8:15 AM – † Fred and Barbara Cusmano

7:00 PM – Spanish Mass

Friday, August 11 2023-Saint Clare, Virgin

8:15 AM - † Jim and Mary Solaski

† Joseph and Roslyn Cuva

Prayers of safety for all firefighters,
first responders and law enforcement officers.

Saturday, August 12, 2023 – Saint Jane Frances de Chantal, Religious, BVM

8:15 AM - Silvio † and Catherine Berni and family

2:00 PM – Sweet 16 Mass for Catherine Juarez

5:00 PM - † Rose Brino

Sunday, August 13, 2023-

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 AM - † Sr. Maryann McDonald

† Sr. Evelyn Shedan

† Maria and Giuseppe Federico

† Jose Luis Moran – 8th Anniversary

Healing for Carol Moran

Sunday August 13, 2023 - Continued

11:00 AM - † Jonathan Kirwan – 1 Year Mass

† Silvestro Sama

† James Hill

† Felice and Angela Zisa

† Tomasina Tuozzo

1:00 PM– † Lita Vivanco

† Jesus Zanabria

Intencion de Hermandad



The Transfiguration of the Lord

AUGUST 6, 2023

Jesus took Peter, James and his brother John, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. And he was transfigured before them ... And behold, Moses and Elijah appeared to them, conversing with him. Then Peter said to Jesus in reply, 'Lord it is good that we are here.'

A reading from the Gospel of Matthew

In the gospel we become a fourth person to ascend the mountain, we witness the raising of a little girl, we enter the garden of Gethsemani as Jesus prays to His Father. They were the special trio, and we join them. Lord, it is good that we are here to witness and bolster our faith. Moses representing the law, and Elijah the prophets of the old testament, find Jesus as the lawgiver of the law of love and the fulfillment of the promises.

May Peter's words reflect our attitude as we prepare for, come to, and celebrate the Eucharist every week. Jesus revealed His divinity and power, and our presence with Him, allows that power and grace to fill our lives. We don't just go to mass, but we listen attentively to the word of God, are graced with the gift of the Eucharist, and have the unique opportunity to grow in holiness.

HIS WORD TODAY, by Rev. William J. Reilly




Thank You



Your gifts, blessings and generous donations to our Parish Community for this past week. Thank you

July 30th: \$ 2,628 Envelopes: 75

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Deceased Parishioners:

Please keep in your prayers those parishioners, family or friends who have entered into eternal rest. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let the eternal light shine upon them.



Bible Readings

THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD

7/6/2023-Sunday-Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; 2 Pt 1:16-19; Mt 17:1-9

7/7/2023-Monday-Nm 11:4b-15; Mt 14:13-21

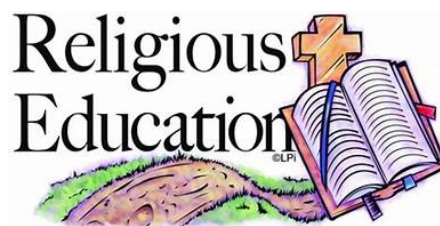
7/8/2023-Tuesday-Nm 12:1-13; Mt 14:22-36 or 15:1-2, 10-14

7/9/2023-Wednesday-Nm 13:1-2, 25—14:1, 26-29a, 34-35; Mt 15:21-28

7/10/2023-Thursday-2 Cor 9:6-10; Jn 12:24-26

7/11/2023-Friday-Dt 4:32-40; Mt 16:24-28

7/12/2023-Saturday-Dt 6:4-13; Mt 17:14-20



Mandatory meeting for all Parents and Children who will be attending Religious Education Classes including the Sacraments of First Eucharist and Confirmation. Attend 9:00 am Liturgy on **Sunday, September 17th** followed by the meeting in St. Joseph's Center. *Classes will begin on Sunday, September 24th after the 9:00 am Mass.*

Mission Appeal Sunday
Our 2nd Collection



Guest Speaker:

Fr. Loretto Tomas "Fr. Tom: Sotto is a priest of the Missionaries of Faith (MF). He will be at our Church next weekend to appeal for the needs of the Missionaries of Faith Missions in India, Myanmar, Samoa, The Philippines, and Vietnam, especially for the education, formation and maintenance of Seminarians studying for the priesthood and/or religious life. Please welcome Fr. Tom with generosity in your heart. Every penny goes a long way in the missions. *Thank You and God speed!*

A Message from Fr. George

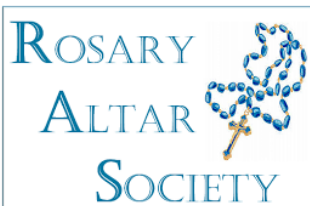


One of the great memories that I will hold of my time at Saint Vincent Martyr is our Sunday night broadcasts – or as some have called it – Fr. George Unplugged. For those who do not know the history of the broadcast, it started during the Pandemic. We wanted to find ways to keep our community connected to one another and to the parish, and the broadcast was one of those ways. We continued beyond the pandemic right up to the end of this past June. On our final evening together, I shared a list of ten themes that consistently showed up in my messages. You might even call them my rule of life! Here they are in written form for your consideration.

1. **Believe with all your heart that you are a beloved child of God.** God loves you totally, unconditionally and constantly, even with your faults. You are fully known and fully loved. Let Jesus Christ awaken this truth within you, and you will find joy, strength, and purpose in your life.
2. **Pray daily to the Holy Spirit** – Veni Sancte Spiritu, Come Holy Spirit! Allow the Holy Spirit to be the change in you, shaping and forming you in the image of Jesus Christ. Let the Spirit lead and guide you and be ready for anything!
3. **Live in the flow of love shared by the Father, Son and Spirit.** When you accept the invitation to enter that flow you will have amazing experiences of God's grace at work in your life, providing for you in your need, sustaining in your times of trial and working all things for your good.
4. **Pray like our Blessed Mother**, with your whole being, with a heart full of love for God in whom we live and move and have our being. Pray with holy words, with song, with the movement of your body, with your mind and imagination. Pray always!

5. **Embrace the contemplative way, taking time to sit and be in the presence of God.** Explore solitude, stillness, and silence as ways of entering more deeply into the mystery of God. Develop a contemplative practice that will quiet your life and ground you God's love.
6. **Act from a stance of oneness with God** in Christ through the Holy Spirit. Strive to respond rather than react to those things in life that ruffle your feathers. Live the blessed life of a peacemaker, choosing to do no harm in thought, word, or action.
7. **Take up the challenge of our Holy Father Francis** and invest yourself in building a Culture of Encuentro (Encounter). Look for opportunities to serve your brothers and sisters, to be fully and really present to them with care and compassion. Roll up your sleeves and get involved.
8. **Expand the circle of who you know and who you talk to.** Make room in your heart for folks that are from different cultures or ethnic backgrounds, or who hold different creeds and viewpoints. Try to live judgement free in your dealing with others, avoiding stereotypes and prejudices.
9. **Maintain an attitude of gratitude**, being thankful for who you are and what you have in the moment, believing that it is enough for your happiness. Express your gratitude to God by embracing a stewardship way of life, sharing what God has given you with others.
10. **Center your life on the Eucharist.** Be nourished by the Word of God. Become what you receive – the real presence of Christ in the world. When you receive the Lord, know that you are made one with Him and with all who live in Him – and that's everybody and everything. Amen!

*God Bless,
Fr. George*



The Rosary Society has been a part of St. Gerard Church for many years. While the number of people involved and the extent of our activities has varied over the years, we have always been a group of women dedicated to Our Lady thru Prayer, Fellowship and Service. We meet once a month from September thru June at the Rectory at 1:00pm every first Tuesday of the month to say the Rosary.

Our next meeting will be held on September 5th at 1:00pm at the Rectory.

We welcome new members! If interested contact the Rectory or attend our September 5th meeting.



Come and Join Us...

PARISH MEETING

St. Joseph's Community Center
Sunday, September 10th
6:00 pm

Saint Dominic, Priest



AUGUST 8TH

Saint Dominic, OP (Spanish: Santo Domingo; 8 August 1170 – 6 August 1221), also known as **Dominic de Guzmán** (Spanish: [ɡuθ'man]), was a Castilian Catholic priest and the founder of the Dominican Order. He is the patron saint of astronomers and natural scientists.

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary



TUESDAY, AUGUST 15TH

Holy Day of Obligation

Mass: 8:15 am and 12 Noon

7:00 pm – Spanish

The feast of the Assumption is a significant feast day which recalls the spiritual and physical departure of the mother of Jesus Christ from the earth, when both her soul and her body were taken into the presence of God.



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Anointing of the Sick

Bring your Sick Brothers and Sisters for the Anointing of the Sick at St. Gerard's Church after the 8:15 AM Mass every third Wednesday of the month. The next anointing will take place: **Wednesday, August 16th .**



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